

REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are pending in the application. Claims 7-31 are cancelled. Claim 1 is amended. Claims 32-37 are new.

Claims 1-8 were found to be allowable. Claims 9-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 103(a) as being compatible over Foster. Claims 16-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 103(a) as being compatible over Foster in view of Kamal. Claims 25-31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 103(a) as being compatible over Hoyt in view of Foster.

In order to expedite prosecution of the application, the rejected claims are being cancelled without acquiescing to the rejections. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the rejected claims in a continuation application.

To more distinctly claim Applicant's invention, claim 1 has been amended to recite the limitations of claim 7. New Claim 32 recites the limitations of claim 8 with the subject matter of claim 1. New claims 33-37 correspond to claims 2-6. No new matter is added.

Information Disclosure Statement

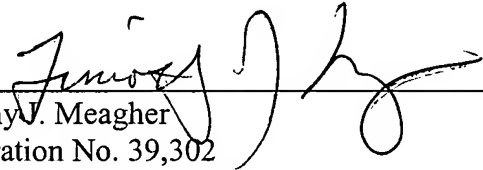
An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was filed on August 27, 2004. Entry of the IDS is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all pending claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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